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Addendum

The changes and additions to sections A and C of the annex set out below should be incorporated in the draft revised calendar for 2003 contained in A/57/228/Add.1.

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** In order to include the additions and changes arising mostly from decisions made at the substantive session of the Economic and Social Council, the present document could not be prepared by the submission deadline.

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A. Draft revised calendar of conferences and meetings of the United Nations, 2003
(as at August 2002)

1. Changes to the draft revised calendar (indicated in italics)

Organ		*Date (2002)*	*Location*	*Membership*	*Servicing*[a]			*Periodicity*
4.	UNCTAD, Working Party on the medium-term plan and the programme budget [UNCTAD resolution 114 (V) and Trade and Development Board decision 156 (XVII)]	13-17 January *and 17-21 March*	Geneva	[b]	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One or two sessions per year
36.	Group of governmental experts on tracing (illicit small arms and light weapons), second session [General Assembly resolution 56/24 U][c]	*3-7 March*	*Geneva*	25 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	
45.	Commission on Human Rights, fifty-ninth session [Economic and Social Council resolution 9 (II)]	17 March-24 April [d]	Geneva	53 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	SR	One session per year
79.	Commission on Human Rights, Working Group on Enforced and Involuntary Disappearances, sixty-ninth session [Economic and Social Council decision 2001/221]	*21-24 April*	New York	5 E	I (AEFS)	T	-	
81.	Commission on Science and Technology for Development, sixth session [General Assembly resolution 46/235 and Economic and Social Council resolution 1993/75]	5-9 May	Geneva	33 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session *per year*[e]
98.	UNCITRAL, Working Group on Arbitration, thirty-eighth session [General Assembly resolution 33/92]	*12-16 May*	New York	36 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	Two sessions per year
133.	United Nations Administrative Tribunal [General Assembly resolution 351 A (IV)]	*23-25 June*	Geneva	7 E	I (EF)	T	PV[f]	Two sessions per year
148.	Conference on Disarmament, third part [General Assembly resolutions 1722 (XVI), S-10/2 and 34/83 L]	28 July-*10* September	Geneva	61 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	PV	One session in three parts per year
259.	Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues [Economic and Social Council resolution 2000/22][g]	*12-23 May*	*New York*	16 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	-	One session per year
263.	Sixteenth United Nations Regional Cartographic Conference for Asia and the Pacific [Economic and Social Council decision 1997/221][h]	To be determined (1 week)	*Japan*	51 G	I (CEFR)	T	-	One session every three years

[a] The languages in which interpretation will be provided are indicated. Languages in which translation and meeting records will be provided vary according to the rules of procedure applicable to the body concerned, and in the case of some working groups and similar bodies, according to the actual requirements when these are less than would be provided under the rules of procedure.

[b] Open to the participation of all interested States members of UNCTAD (UNCTAD resolution 80 (III), para. 9).

[c] Change of venue from New York to Geneva approved by the Committee on Conferences in August 2002.

[d] The Economic and Social Council, in its decision 2002/281, authorized 14 fully-serviced additional meetings, including summary records, in accordance with rules 29 and 31 of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Council. The Council approved the Commission's decision to request the Chairperson of the fifty-ninth session of the Commission to make every effort to organize the work of the session within the time normally allotted, so that the additional meetings that the Council authorized would be utilized only if they proved to be absolutely necessary.

[e] In its resolution 2002/37, the Economic and Social Council decided that the Commission should meet annually.

[f] When holding oral hearings.

[g] The Economic and Social Council, in its decision 2002/285, decided that the Forum would be held at United Nations Headquarters in New York.

[h] In its decision 2002/229, the Economic and Social Council decided to accept the offer of the Government of Japan to host the Conference in 2003.

2. Additions to the draft calendar

Organ		*Date (2003)*	*Location*	*Membership*	*Servicing*[a]		*Periodicity*
1.	Commission on Human Rights, working group of experts on people of African descent [Economic and Social Council decision 2002/270]	3-7 February	Geneva	5 E	I (ACEFRS)	T	-
2.	Commission on Human Rights, intergovernmental working group on racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance (implementation of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action) [Economic and Social Council decision 2002/270]	To be determined	Geneva	53 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-
3.	Commission on Human Rights, open-ended working group on the right to development [Economic and Social Council decision 2002/271]	To be determined	Geneva	53 G	I (ACEFRS)	T	-
4.	Preparatory meetings for the eleventh session of UNCTAD [Trade and Development Board decision at its thirteenth executive session (8 July 1996) and General Assembly resolution 51/167]	To be determined	Geneva	[b]	I (ACEFRS)	T	-

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[b] Open to the participation of all interested States members of UNCTAD (UNCTAD resolution 80 (III), para. 9).

C. Draft revised calendar of conferences and meetings of the principal organs of the specialized agencies, the International Atomic Energy Agency and treaty bodies established under the auspices of the United Nations, 2003

Changes to the draft revised calendar (indicated in italics)

Organ	*Date (2003)*	*Location*
2. WHO, Executive Board	*20-28* January	Geneva
5. IFAD, Governing Council	*19-20* February	Rome
13. IFAD, Executive Board	*23-24* April	Rome
39. IFAD, Executive Board	*4-5* September	Rome
59. IFAD, Executive Board	*11-12* December	Rome
64. International Seabed Authority, Assembly, ninth session	*28 July-8 August*	Kingston